

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A method for conserving power in a subscriber unit in a wireless communication system, ~~said method~~ comprising ~~the steps of:~~

dividing a common channel into a plurality of recurring timeslots;

choosing an assigned timeslot from one of said plurality of recurring timeslots for transmission of messages to said subscriber unit;

reducing power consumption in a first mode processing in said subscriber unit during at least one timeslot other than said assigned timeslot, wherein the subscriber unit is configured to use a plurality of modes having reduced power consumption and wherein each of the plurality of modes includes an associated at least one component being activated or deactivated, thereby conserving power in said subscriber unit.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said wireless communication system is a TDMA system.

3-4. (Canceled).

5. (Currently Amended) A subscriber station in a wireless communication systems receiving messages in an assigned timeslot of a common channel, comprising:

a receiver configured to monitor ~~for monitoring~~ said timeslot to receive said messages;

a digital signal processor configured to process ~~for processing~~ said messages; and,

power conservation circuitry configured to reduce power consumption in a first mode ~~processing~~ in said digital signal processor during timeslots of said common channel other than said assigned timeslot, wherein the subscriber unit is configured to use a plurality of modes having reduced power consumption and wherein each of the plurality of modes includes an associated at least one component being activated or deactivated.

6. (Original) The subscriber station of claim 5 wherein said wireless communication system is a TDMA system.

7-8. (Canceled).